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## Idaho Monthly Milk Production Up 3.0 Percent

Idaho milk production during March 2010 totaled 1.04 billion pounds, a 3.0 percent increase from the same month last year, but up 11 percent from February 2010. February 2010 milk production was revised to 936 million pounds, up 3 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in March 2010 was 1,880 pounds, up 40 pounds from March 2009. The average number of milk cows during March was 554,000 head, up 4,000 from March 2009, but unchanged from February 2010.

Milk production in the 23 major States during March totaled 15.4 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent from March 2009. February revised production at 13.7 billion pounds, was up 0.3 percent from February 2009. The February revision represented an increase of 17 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,846 pounds for March, 51 pounds above March 2009. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.32 million head, 162,000 head less than March 2009, but 1,000 head more than February 2010.

## Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, March 2009-2010

State	Milk Cows <sup>1/</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2/</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2/</sup>		Change From 2009
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	189	170	2,110	2,180	399	371	-7.0
California	1,821	1,758	1,925	1,980	3,505	3,481	-0.7
Colorado	128	116	1,980	2,000	253	232	-8.3
Florida	117	113	1,760	1,700	206	192	-6.8
Idaho	550	554	1,840	1,880	1,012	1,042	3.0
Illinois	102	101	1,675	1,715	171	173	1.2
Indiana	167	169	1,750	1,765	292	298	2.1
Iowa	215	210	1,730	1,775	372	373	0.3
Kansas	122	116	1,835	1,835	224	213	-4.9
Michigan	355	356	1,895	1,975	673	703	4.5
Minnesota	468	470	1,640	1,695	768	797	3.8
Missouri	108	101	1,320	1,295	143	131	-8.4
New Mexico	333	321	2,110	2,105	703	676	-3.8
New York	623	610	1,700	1,740	1,059	1,061	0.2
Ohio	277	268	1,610	1,680	446	450	0.9
Oregon	114	115	1,710	1,740	195	200	2.6
Pennsylvania	550	540	1,670	1,730	919	934	1.6
Texas	430	410	1,850	1,890	796	775	-2.6
Utah	85	83	1,740	1,780	148	148	-
Vermont	136	135	1,565	1,605	213	217	1.9
Virginia	97	95	1,600	1,560	155	148	-4.5
Washington	239	249	1,950	2,020	466	503	7.9
Wisconsin	1,256	1,260	1,675	1,775	2,104	2,237	6.3
23 State Total	8,482	8,320	1,795	1,846	15,222	15,355	0.9

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

## April Potato Stocks

Potato stocks held by growers, dealers, and processors in Idaho on April 1 totaled 51.0 million cwt, 6.0 million cwt more than on hand April 1, 2009. Disappearance, at 80.0 million cwt is up from last year's 71.5 million cwt. Disappearance during March, at 14.5 million cwt, is the largest March disappearance since March 2001. Stocks in the 10 Southwest counties totaled 2.0 million cwt, up from last year's 1.5 million cwt. The Other counties' stocks, at 49.0 million cwt, were up from the 43.5 million cwt stored on April 1, 2009.

Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 129 million cwt of potatoes in storage April 1, 2010, up 11 percent from a year ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 34 percent of the 2009 fall storage States' production, 3 percentage points above April 1, 2009. Potato disappearance, at 255 million cwt, was slightly above April 1, 2009. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 24.4 million cwt, was up 18 percent from the same date in 2009.

### Fall Potatoes Production & Stocks, Crop Years 2004-2009, Idaho & 13 Fall States Total 1/ 2/

CROP YEAR	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS						
		DEC 1	FOLLOWING YEAR					
			JAN 1	FEB 1	MAR 1	APR 1	MAY 1	JUN 1
IDAHO		1,000 Cwt						
2004	131,970	93,500	84,500	75,000	64,000	52,000	38,500	24,000
2005	118,288	85,000	75,500	66,000	56,000	43,500	31,000	18,500
2006	128,915	90,000	80,000	70,000	59,500	46,500	33,000	21,000
2007	130,010	92,000	82,000	71,500	60,500	49,000	35,000	23,000
2008	116,475	85,000	75,500	66,000	56,500	45,000	32,500	21,000
2009	131,000	96,500	87,000	76,500	65,500	51,000		
13 States 1/ 2004 2/	404,017	271,100	236,700	203,490	168,020	128,900	88,550	51,700
2005	375,118	253,800	220,500	189,100	155,500	115,700	75,900	41,560
2006	389,527	258,900	225,800	192,200	159,500	120,900	79,050	44,460
2007	397,753	265,500	232,300	199,300	163,400	125,500	83,960	50,420
2008	369,866	243,700	213,200	183,900	152,700	115,800	78,100	45,300
2009	383,929	265,800	235,300	203,400	*169,800	129,100		

\*Revised. 1/ See table below for listing of 13 states. 2/ 15 states prior to 2005.

### Production and Total Stocks of Fall Potatoes Held by Growers, Processors, and Local Dealers on April 1, 2009 and April 1, 2010 <sup>1/</sup>

STATE	CROP OF 2008			CROP OF 2009		
	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS APRIL 1, 2009	APRIL 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS APRIL 1, 2010	APRIL 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION
	<i>1,000 Cwt</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Cwt</i>		<i>Percent</i>
California	3,948	800	20	4,158	900	22
Colorado	21,907	9,000	41	22,080	8,100	37
Idaho	116,475	45,000	39	131,000	51,000	39
Maine	14,769	5,600	38	15,263	6,000	39
Michigan	14,875	1,800	12	15,660	1,200	8
Minnesota	20,400	6,400	31	20,700	7,300	35
Montana	3,465	2,100	61	3,347	2,000	60
Nebraska	8,245	2,200	27	8,756	2,200	25
New York	5,696	700	12	4,950	500	10
North Dakota	22,680	6,300	28	19,125	5,000	26
Oregon	18,676	7,400	40	21,460	8,000	37
Washington	93,000	23,700	25	88,450	28,300	32
Wisconsin	25,730	4,800	19	28,980	8,600	30
13 STATES	369,866	115,800	31	383,929	129,100	34
Klamath Basin <sup>2/</sup>		1,450			1,400	

1/ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2009 totaled 24.5 million cwt. 2/ Includes potato stocks in CA and Klamath Co., OR. Included in the 13 state total.

## Idaho Cattle on Feed Down 2 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on April 1, 2010 totaled 205,000 head, 2 percent below the April 1, 2009 inventory. The cattle on feed inventory is up 10,000 head from the March 1, 2010 inventory of 195,000 head. Placements of cattle in state feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during March totaled 34,000 head, up 8,000 head from March 2009 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during March totaled 23,000 head, down 7,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 during March.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.8 million head on April 1, 2010. The inventory was 4 percent below April 1, 2009. The inventory included 6.71 million steers and steer calves, down 4 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 62 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.02 million head, down 3 percent from 2009. Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.86 million, 3 percent above 2009. Net placements were 1.80 million head. During March, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 395,000, 600-699 pounds were 375,000, 700-799 pounds were 602,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 485,000. Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 1.90 million, 4 percent above 2009. Other disappearance totaled 60,000 during March, 20 percent above 2009. This is the second lowest other disappearance for the month of March since the series began in 1996.

### Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots<sup>1/</sup>

State	April 1, 2009	March 1, 2010	April 1, 2010		
			Number	As % of 2009	As % of March
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	330	286	278	84	97
California	445	450	440	99	98
Colorado	1,040	940	930	89	99
Idaho	210	195	205	98	105
Iowa	530	*610	600	113	98
Kansas	2,280	2,220	2,240	98	101
Nebraska	2,320	2,350	2,290	99	97
Oklahoma	330	355	340	103	96
South Dakota	225	240	235	104	98
Texas	2,810	2,650	2,640	94	100
Washington	160	168	171	107	102
Other States	345	410	400	(X)	98
United States	11,162	*10,874	10,769	96	99

\* Revised 1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. (X) Comparison to 2009 is not applicable.

## Idaho Foodsize Trout Sales Increased in 2009

Idaho food size trout (trout 12 inches and longer) sales during 2009 totaled \$36.0 million, up 3 percent from the \$35.0 million in 2008. The number of food size fish sold was 29.8 million, up 8 percent from the 27.6 million sold a year ago. Total pounds sold in 2009 were 35.6 million pounds, compared to 35.4 million pounds in 2008. Average price per pound for food size trout was \$1.01, up from \$0.99 in 2008.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer sold in the United States during 2009 totaled 41.1 million fish, up 2 percent from the previous year. The average price per pound was \$1.40, up 2 cents from 2008. The value of sales for the 2009 marketing year was \$68.6 million, down 5 percent from 2008. For trout 12 inches or longer 62 percent were sold to processors and 19 percent were sold to fee and recreational fishing establishments.

The total value of fish sales received by trout growers in the United States totaled \$76.9 million for 2009, a decrease of 4 percent from 2008. Idaho accounted for 47 percent of the total value of fish sold.

## Idaho March Red Meat Production Down 11 Percent from Last Year

Commercial red meat production at Idaho packing plants for March 2010 totaled 17.4 million pounds, down 11 percent from March of last year. Accumulated red meat production for the January-March 2010 period totaled 50.9 million pounds, down 11 percent from the comparable period a year earlier.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.28 billion pounds in March, up 3 percent from the 4.14 billion pounds produced in March 2009. Beef production, at 2.21 billion pounds, was 3 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.91 million head, up 7 percent from March 2009. The average live weight was down 32 pounds from the previous year, at 1,273 pounds. Veal production totaled 12.2 million pounds, slightly below March a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 79,800 head, up slightly from March 2009. The average live weight was down 4 pounds from last year, at 259 pounds. Pork production totaled 2.04 billion pounds, up 4 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 10.0 million head, up 4 percent from March 2009. The average live weight was unchanged from the previous year, at 272 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 17.6 million pounds, was up 11 percent from March 2009. Sheep slaughter totaled 262,300 head, 18 percent above last year. The average live weight was 135 pounds, down 8 pounds from March a year ago. January to March 2010 commercial red meat production was 11.9 billion pounds, down 2 percent from 2009. Accumulated beef production was up slightly from last year, veal was down 2 percent, pork was down 4 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was up 2 percent.

### Commercial Red Meat Production, Selected States and United States <sup>1/</sup>

State	March 2009	February 2010	March 2010	March 2010 as As Percent Of 2009 <sup>2/</sup>
	<i>Million Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>
California	143.7	126.4	148.1	103
Colorado	169.4	169.5	193.8	114
Idaho	19.4	16.1	17.4	89
Illinois	238.6	209.1	240.2	101
Iowa	587.0	528.8	623.6	106
Kansas	425.3	402.9	442.0	104
Minnesota	214.7	203.6	233.0	109
Montana	0.9	1.4	1.2	131
Nebraska	595.9	528.7	596.9	100
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	67
Oklahoma	90.2	89.6	102.2	113
Oregon	4.7	4.0	4.9	104
South Dakota	98.6	70.3	89.6	91
Texas	433.6	365.5	415.9	96
Utah	41.9	38.6	39.2	94
Washington	70.4	66.3	74.4	106
Wyoming	0.5	0.5	0.4	89
United States	4,141.9	*3,736.2	4,281.7	103

\* Revised. 1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb and mutton. 2/ Percentages based on unrounded data.